

**"The United States as a Global Power", Alastair Buchan,
INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL (Canada), Spring, 1969.**

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Buchan is Director of the Institute for Strategic Studies in London and is one of Britain's most distinguished scholars in international politics. In this article, Buchan considers whether the United States can and should redefine her position in international politics. The alternative identified included (1) unilateralism, (2) the center of a group of increasingly autonomous developed powers, or (3) the leader of a series of anti-communist military alliances. The domestic developments are seen as influencing America's ability to choose between the options. This article is outstanding at identifying the critical problems facing the United States and defining the variables that will affect their evolution.

MIDDLE EAST

**"DeGaulle and the Middle East", Yves Cuau, Mid-East expert
of the Paris Figaro (The New Middle East, June 1969).**

An interesting interpretation of how deGaulle's Mid-East policy was conceived as a part of his broader effort to use Third World support as his price of entry to big-power councils. The article suggests that French policy had begun to shift away from the Arab radicals even before deGaulle left office.

SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE

**"Czechoslovakia and the Breshnev Doctrine", a compilation
of materials by Senator Jackson's Subcommittee on
National Security and International Operations, of the
Senate Committee on Government Operations.**

The opening nine-page introduction by Senator Jackson is recommended as a capsule summary of the background of the "Doctrine of Limited Socialist Sovereignty" and the response to it in both East and West Europe. The appendices contain excerpts from the pertinent speeches and documents, and are more of interest to the specialist -- except perhaps for those tabbed, which are the comments by President Tito of Yugoslavia and General Secretary Ceausescu of Romania.

ECONOMICS

"Taking the Monetary Initiative", Fred Bergsten,
Foreign Affairs, July 1968.

The attached article by a senior member of the present NSC staff describes the operation of the international monetary system, analyzes the options available to the United States (pp. 723-730), and recommends both choices and style in implementing them. The article stresses the political aspects of the problem more than most analyses. It remains completely relevant although done a year ago. I think it would be extremely useful as background for your June 26 meeting on U.S. international monetary policy.